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c) ☐ Personal (copy given to: 1) ☐ patent owner 2) ☐ patent owner's representative)

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.  
If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.  
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Claim(s) discussed: N/A.

Identification of prior art discussed: N/A.

Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:  
The examiner initiated an interview to confirm applicant intended to render prosecution final. Applicant indicated that a mistake was made and the NOA was prematurely filed. In order to take the case out of final status the examiner suggested filing a petition to withdrawn the NOA and refiling a response to the nonfinal office action..

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